THE UNIVERSITY OF DUISBURG-ESSEN
Thinking in terms of possibilities instead of limitations.
In the heart of Europe
Duisburg

- around 500,000 inhabitants
- the most important steel production site in Europe
- logistical centre of Germany, with the largest inland port in Europe
- home of the Wilhelm Lehmbruck-Museum
Essen

- around 580,000 inhabitants
- the cultural and economical centre of the Rhine-Ruhr region as well as a hotspot of the service industries
- European Capital of Culture RUHR.2010
- European Green Capital 2017
Good Connections

- a special shuttle bus travels the 20-km distance between the campuses
- the campuses in Essen and Duisburg are connected by the "Ruhr Bicycle Expressway", the last section of which is currently under construction
- motorists take Route A40, traditionally known as the "Ruhr Expressway"
Overview

History

- **August 1, 1972**
  foundation of two universities (Gesamthochschulen) in the cities Duisburg and Essen

- **January 1, 2003**
  merger of the two universities and foundation of the University of Duisburg-Essen (UDE)

- **March 12, 2007**
  foundation of the University Alliance Ruhr (UA Ruhr), a strategic research alliance with neighboring universities

- **2020**
  UDE holds place 16 in the Times Higher Education Ranking of the world’s 250 best young universities and ranks first among the German universities evaluated.
  (Source: THE-Ranking 250 under 50)
Open-Minded

We are a young, innovative university located in the heart of the Ruhr metropolis. We pride ourselves in outstanding research and teaching, think in terms of opportunities rather than limitations and develop ideas with a view to the future.

Diversity is an integral part of our culture as we promote potential and are committed to upholding genuine equity in education.
Overview

12 Departments

- Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Educational Sciences
- Economics
- Business Administration
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Engineering
- Medicine
- Computer Sciences (new foundation as of 01.10.2023)
Overview

People at the University

40,772 students
520 professors
4,035 academic staff
1,555 employees technical support and administrative services (excluding Faculty of Medicine)

Budget

406,7 Mio. Euro Public Funds State of North Rhine-Westphalia, of which,
107,7 Mio. Euro is for the Faculty of Medicine
157,0 Mio. Euro Third-Party Funds, of which
51,8 Mio. Euro is for the Faculty of Medicine

qualifying date: 31.12.2022
Students

41,101 students

- International students 19%
- Female students 49%

reference period: WS 2021/22

Graduates

5,549

- International students 20%
- Female students 53%

first-year students

10,698

- International students 21%
- Female students 51%

reference period: WS 2021/22 + SS 2022
Students

Origin of the students

- Duisburg-Essen and surroundings: 61.7%
- Rest of NRW: 16.3%
- Abroad: 14.76%

Reference period: WS 2021/22

Incoming students with foreign entrance qualifications

- Asia: 65%
- Europe: 20%
- Africa: 12%
- Americas: 2%
- Australia: 0.1%
- Rest of Germany: 7.24%
### Students by Department

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Reference period: WS 2021/22 + SS 2022
Main Research Areas

- Nanosciences
- Biomedical Sciences
- Urban Systems
- Transformation of Contemporary Societies
- Water Research
Nanosciences

- development of nanostructured functional materials for a broad range of applications in a high-tech research center, special focus on applications in the energy sector
- more than 60 research groups comprising approx. 350 scientists from the fields of chemistry, physics, medicine and the engineering sciences are participating, among other things, in collaborative research centers, research training groups and numerous cooperative ventures with industry
- bachelor’s and master’s programs in nanoengineering
Main Research Areas

Biomedical Sciences

- new diagnostic methods and treatments are being developed in cooperative interdisciplinary projects
- connect the medical research at the Essen University Hospital and the Erwin L. Hahn Institute with the basic scientific research at the Centre for Medical Biotechnology (ZMB)
- the B.Sc. program in medical biology is in especially high demand with 2,700 applicants yearly
Main Research Areas

Urban Systems

- in rapidly urbanizing (as well as in shrinking) regions, climate mitigation and adaptation, conservation of natural resources, etc. are important issues
- located in one of the largest heavily populated areas in Europe, all 11 UDE faculties are conducting research to find multi-layered solutions to the problems facing the urban world today
- the Joint Centre aims to establish a leading European center for broad-based urban research, with international visibility, involved in the instruction and training of the next generation of scientists
Main Research Areas

Transformation of Contemporary Societies

- patterns of order in society are modified by the displacement, disappearance and persistence of borders between people, nations, markets, etc.
- the multidisciplinary research being carried out by the six institutes at the UDE connects the fields of sociology, educational science, economic science, political science and other disciplines
- Käte Hamburger Kolleg/Centre for Global Cooperation Research
Water Research

- A sustainable and global water cycle is one of the greatest social challenges of our time.
- How can we succeed in ensuring that water and sanitation facilities are available to all people and that this precious resource is managed sustainably?
- Topics among others: Water treatment and purification, biodiversity and environmental consequences of heavy rainfall
German Research Foundation (DFG) Programs

- **22 Collaborative research centers SFB/TR**
  (6 lead institution and 16 participating university)
  in Biochemistry, Medicine, Physics and Mathematics and Engineering

- **9 Research training groups**
  (6 lead institution and 3 participating university)
  in Medical Biotechnology, Infectious Diseases, History, Radiobiology, East Asian Studies, Biomedicine and Social Media plus one participation in Mathematics

- **21 Research units**
  (6 lead institution and 15 participating university)
  in Engineering, Biology, Social Science, Medicine, Physics and Educational Research

- **26 Priority programs**
  (4 lead institution and 22 participating university)
  in Chemistry, Engineering, Mathematics, Mechanics, Medicine, Educational Research and Nano sciences
Inter-Faculty Research Centre

- Center for Nanointegration Duisburg-Essen (CENIDE)
- Essen College of Gender Studies (EKfG)
- Interdisciplinary Centre for Educational Research (IZfB)
- Interdisciplinary Centre for Integration and Migration Research (InZentIM)
- Institute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST)
- Institute of scientific key competences (IwiS)
- Käte Hamburger Kolleg/Centre for Global Cooperation Research (KHK)

- Centre for Teacher Education (ZLB)
- Centre for Logistics and Traffic (ZLV)
- Centre for Medical Biotechnology (ZMB)
- Centre for Water and Environmental Research (ZWU)

- Alliance for Research on East Asia (AREA Ruhr) with RUB
- Erwin L. Hahn Institute for Magnetic Resonance Imaging (ELH) with the Radboud University Nijmegen
- Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities Essen (KWI) UA Ruhr
Associated Institutes of the University

- German Textile Research Centre North-West (DTNW)
- Development Centre for Ship Technology and Transport Systems (DST)
- Institute of Energy and Environmental Technology (IUTA)
- Institute of Mobile and Satellite Communication Technology (IMST)
- Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr (KI Ruhr)
- Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS)
- IWW Water Centre (IWW)
- Rhine-Ruhr Institute for Social Research and Political Consulting (RISP)
- Salomon Ludwig Steinheim Institute (StI)
- Centre for Fuel Cell Technology (ZBT)
- Center for Studies on Turkey and Integration Research (ZfTI)
Expenditures of Third-party funds

Total sum 157,0 mill. Euro
(51,8 mill. Euro is for the Faculty of Medicine)

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University Alliance Ruhr (UA Ruhr)

Unlimited possibilities: The alliance connects the three universities of Bochum, Dortmund and Duisburg-Essen. It was founded in 2007 and has today

- more than 500 study courses, 120,000 students and 1,300 professors
- more than 16,000 graduates and 1,300 doctorates yearly
- about 1.4 milliards Euro budget volume yearly
- about 300 millions Euro third-party funds yearly

- Joint Research Centres
  - KWI Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities Essen
  - Alliance for Research on East Asia (AREA Ruhr)

- Joint Main Research Areas
  - Materials Chain
  - Ruhr Explores Solvation (RESOLV)

- 100 professors at Competence Field Metropolitan Research
European Network

AURORA

- is a network of 9 universities (UDE, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, University of Iceland, University of East Anglia, University Federico II of Naples, Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Universität Innsbruck, Palacký University Olomouc, Copenhagen Business School, Université Paris-Est Créteil)
- universities are excellent in research and dedicated to social responsibility and diversity

AURORA's main idea and goals

- connects societal impact and relevance of research
- means learning from trusted partners
- increase visibility
99 active partnerships worldwide

- Partner Universities
- Faculties’ Partner Institutions
- UA Ruhr Offices in Northamerica and Russia
- More than 200 Erasmus Partner Institutions
Central Services

Information and Counselling

- **Student Counselling and Academic Career Services**
  with more than 18,500 annual contacts

- **University Sports**
  1,500 courses per year

- **University Library**
  with 2.4 million print volumes; 300,000 hits on e-books

- **Center for Higher Education and Quality Development**
  more than 100 services for quality assurance, teaching and learning

- **Centre for Information and Media Services**
  with 30,000 interconnected systems

- **Centre for Teacher Education**
  2,500 work placements registered per year
For the general public

Offers for everyone

- **Mercator-Professorship**
  e.g. Richard von Weizsäcker, Christiane Nüsslein-Volhard, Alice Schwarzer, Götz Werner, Margarethe von Trotta, Karl Kardinal Lehmann, Alfred Grosser, Joachim Gauck

- **Poet in Residence**
  e.g. Günter Grass, Judith Kuckart, Kathrin Röggla, Marion Poschmann, Klaus Modick, Lukas Bärfuss, Dorothee Elmiger & Reto Hänny, Christof Hamann

- **Scientist in Residence**
  e.g. Wilhelm Barthlott, Julian Nida-Rümelin, Yi Cui, Heinz-Elmar Tenorth, Alan Ashworth, Michael Batty, John E. Bowers, Seyla Benhabib, Jan Gulliksen

- **Further events**
  UniKids – lectures for children, Summer University, taster courses, competition for pupils “freestylephysics”
Thank you for your attention.